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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2003, please consider the following. The commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account 10-0435, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.